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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c) filed on April 12, 2011.

The petition GRANTED.

This patent expired on October 13, 2010, for failure to timely pay the third maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

Receipt of the change of correspondence address filed on April 12, 2011 is acknowledged. All correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3231.

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